

redundant recitation of the full nucleotide sequence represented by SEQ ID NO:6 from the claim. The material being deleted is page 79 of the application in its entirety.

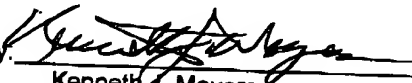
Applicants submit that this amendment does not change the scope of claim 45 in any way and note that the amendment is merely formalistic.

If there is any fee due in connection with the filing of this Preliminary Amendment, please charge the fee to our Deposit Account No. 06-0916.

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**APPENDIX TO PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT OF FEBRUARY 4, 2003**

**Version with Markings to Show Changes Made**

Amendments to the Claims

45. (Amended) A polynucleotide [comprising] containing the sequence SEQ  
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